

Meanwood CE Newsletter



Open Hearts



Open Minds



Open Arms



Newsletter: 15
28.3.25

CARE Champions

Reception: Lenny

Year 1: Muan

Year 2: Layton

Year 3: Arya

Year 4: Catherine

Year 5: Leo

Year 6: Kara

Next Week in a Nutshell

Christian Focus: The Resurrection

Monday: Abbey Grange work experience children in school all week.

Girls Football match vs Immaculate Heart at home: 3:30-4:30pm

Girls Football Tournament (lower KS2) at Fives: 3:30pm - 5:30pm.

(All children who are involved have been informed).

Year 6 RSE meeting in year 5, please enter through the Green Road Door: 6:00-6:30pm.

Tuesday: Year 3 pop-up museum: 2:30-3:00pm. Please enter through the front of the school.

Wednesday: KS1 Panathalon at Scott Hall Leisure Centre: 9:00-11:00. (Children involved have been informed).

Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby event at West Park: 1:00pm-3:00pm. (Children involved have been informed).

Thursday: Year 3 Performance Showcase: 9:00- 9:30am. Parents and carers welcome. Please enter through the front of the school.

Friday: Boogie to school. 8:30am meet at the bus terminus.

Easter Raffle Draw.

Church Service at Holy trinity Church: 9:15 - 10:15.

Parents and carers welcome.

Uniform sale after school.

School closes for Easter break.

Attendance

Reception: 85.5%

Year 1: 98.7%

Year 2: 99.5%

Year 3: 97.7%

Year 4: 99.4%

Year 5: 94.5%

Year 6: 96.7%

Whole School: 96.1%

Well done year 2 you are this week's attendance champions.

"Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12).

General Notices

Training Days 25/26

A few parents have been asking me about training days for the next academic year. The dates have now been ratified by the Governing Body.

- Monday 1st September 2025.
- Monday 5th January 2026.
- Friday 22nd May 2026.
- Monday 20th July 2026.
- Tuesday 21st July 2026.

Top Playground Update

We are now over the £5900 mark which is an amazing achievement. We would be nowhere near this total without the unbelievable efforts from the members of our school community.

Thanks to Juliana (Cecillia's mum) for arranging the evening at Zuccos in February half term. This made £600. Thanks to Georgie (Dottie's mum) for organising all the gorgeous Mothers Day packages and creating such a special treat for Sunday. Thanks to all the people who have contributed either with their time or with their wallet. Your contributions will enable us to create a safe place for the children and community to play and is massively appreciated.

Netball Matches

Football has long dominated the after school fixtures for many years and it is great to see Netball now becoming part of the Meanwood sporting calendar.

On Tuesday night, our netball team played in our first league matches against Manor Wood and Wigton Moor. It was an exciting start to the season and our team played both games with such determination. Our first game against Manor Wood was a close one, and with Rose, Leo, Emmy and Luke scoring we won 4-3. Next we played Wigton Moor, we scored our first two goals quickly thanks to Leo and Rose, and then Wigton Moor scored in quick succession. The final score was 8-5 to Wigton Moor despite Sophia, Emmy and Rose scoring in the last two quarters. Well done to all our players who took part, to Keely who is helping me coach the players every week and for the parents for being so amenable when the time to collect children changed!

On Wednesday night, our netball team played again at a bee netball competition at Ruth Gorse Academy. We played four schools, winning three out of the four matches. We beat St Phillips 2-0 with Mary Dickson and Rose scoring, We lost to St Anthony's 4-1 with Leo scoring, We beat Ingram Road 2-0 with Evie and Tommy scoring and we beat St Francis 2-1 with Edward and Leo scoring. The team were delightful once again with such high spirits in the minibus on the way home.



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PTA

Easter raffle - Friday 4 April (raffle tickets on Arbor now - multiple can be bought)
Thank you to those who have bought tickets already - if not, tickets on sale until Thursday.

Pre-owned school uniform sale - Friday 4 April after school
In need of summer clothes or just a replacement for existing items? There will be a pre-owned uniform sale in the lower playground on Friday.

Fun Run - Sunday 18 May

The Meanwood PTA Fun Run is back for its fifth year! There will be 2 events held - a 2 km and a 5 km, aimed at any running abilities. All entrants will receive the 2025 Fun Run medal. Early bird prices are currently available. Please share with friends, family, colleagues, running clubs... There more the merrier! <https://meanwood-pta.eventcube.io/>
Huge thank you to our sponsors, Moorland Bathrooms, Robinson Ralph and UK Locations, all of which are supporting the event again for the third year running. There are more sponsorship opportunities available. If you are interested, please get in touch with Matthew on 07843 55 55 69 or email pta@meanwood.leeds.sch.uk to find out more

Clothing donations Wednesday 7 May

Clothing collection arranged for early May, and we will receive 55p per kilogram for the donations. Please bring your bags (using any type of bag) to school on Tuesday 6 May or the morning of Wednesday 7 May.

Movie Night - Friday 2 May

Summer Fair - Friday 27 June

Rock and Roll bingo @ Myrtle - Thursday 3 July

Further events for Summer 2 term currently being discussed...watch this space!

NCPCC

We are pleased to invite you to an important NSPCC Online Safety Workshop designed to help parents and carers support children in navigating the online world safely. Please see the attached letter for further details.

In today's digital age, children are spending more time online, making it essential to understand how to keep them safe. This workshop will provide practical tips, expert advice, and valuable resources on topics such as social media, gaming, grooming and online risks.

This is a fantastic opportunity to ask questions, gain insights, and ensure your child is engaging with the online world in a safe and positive way. We urge you to save the date (Tuesday 6th May 5.30pm - 6.30pm) and attend this meeting.

Meanwood Preschool

Meanwood Preschool are now taking applications for September 2025/January 2026. If you would like to come and have a look around and find out what we're all about - or would like an application form, please email: hello@meanwoodpreschool.co.uk or phone: 07535000084.

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House Tallies

Oak: 2400

Holly: 2490

Elm: 2465

Sycamore: 2308

Geography Day

On Wednesday the children had a great day in school celebrating everything Geography. I was privileged enough to visit most classes and sampled food from India in reception: saw year 6 create some amazing postcards from Brazil; played Hungarian games in year 4 and witnessed some fabulous Kenyan inspired art in year 1. A big thank you to Mrs Scopes who planned the day and to all the amazing staff who made it an unforgettable experience for all the children.



Website

The new website is now up and running and is being populated with new information. The class pages for Summer 1 will be initially very basic and will only display the spellings for the half-term. This is due to the new 'mechanics' of the site which all the staff need to use properly before uploading videos and pictures etc. Please bear with us- we will get there.

Guitar

Come for a Trial Lesson! Get Into Guitar have a limited number of spaces in their Guitar Rockers Lessons. They supply lots of suitably sized acoustic and electric guitars during lessons and use headphone amplifiers and guitar computer games. They also run Band Performances, Battle of the Bands video recordings and Solo Competitions. Lessons are £6 each. Please see some of their students' achievements - www.getintoguitar.co.uk/media/

Visit the link or scan the QR code to sign your child or children up.
www.getintoguitar.co.uk/sign-up/



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Lent

This week in Collective Worship, we have been looking at the cross. Jesus died on the cross so we could have a relationship with God. Jesus has allowed us to be forgiven for the things that we may do wrong.

Dear God,

You love us so much that you gave us your only son. By dying on the cross he allowed us to be be forgiven for the things that we may do wrong.

Although we may wonder from your love it is always there whenever we feel lonely or afraid.

Amen

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A note from Mr Chapman

My message this week is a very simple one: thank you.

Thank you to all the staff who make everyday for the children as special as it can be. Putting in the extra hours to make the school experience go way beyond the classroom.

Thank you for all the wonderful children who come to school each day ready to learn and with a positive can-do attitude.

Thank you to all the parents and carers for your support and how you have embraced our values of Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Arms.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend as well as a happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful mums, grandparents and everyone who steps into the role of a mum with love and care.

Mr Chapman

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